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FRESH-SOPH. DINNER WAS BIG SUCCESS

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EXCELLENT PROGRAMME.

Acting Dean Blackader, Prof. Lloyd, Prof. Reilly and Other Professors Present.

Freeman's Hotel was again the scene of a McGill function, the occasion being the Medical Freshman-Sophomore banquet. About 200 students and professors filled the dining room, which was decorated in red and white. The first interesting thing to note was the menu, which was indeed well got up. The dinner itself was soon on the table, and was heartily enjoyed by all present. The committee, whose names appeared on the menu, should be congratulated on the result of their efforts. The more important part of the programme was then commenced.

The chairman, J. G. Copeland, started the toasts with "The King." "God Save the King" was sung with great feeling during the drinking of the toast.

G. Fels then rendered a piano solo, which was very much enjoyed. Fels started the year with Med. '22, but has been forced to drop his course. His farewell showed him an excellent pianist as well as a good fellow. The toast to "Alma Mater" was then proposed by H. Lipsay. In a few words he mentioned the spirit of McGill as seen the world over. In his reply, Acting Dean Blackader complimented the First Year on the successful event of the evening. He went on to speak of the goal of everyone's life. To reach this goal one needed friendship, which the Dean said, was the greatest thing in college. "Work, too, was mentioned by the speaker, who spoke of the basic substances of Medicine—physics, biology and chemistry. He mentioned the glory of the medical profession, with its great ideals in the aid of humanity.

O. Schmidt then gave an excellent violin solo, accompanied by E. J. Basson. His efforts were much appreciated, and he very kindly gave an encore.

R. C. Whiting, in a few well-chosen words, proposed the toast to "Our Boys Overseas." J. G. Copeland, in the absence of Mr. Hutchinson, responded to this toast. He, as a returned soldier, told of some of his experiences in the trenches. He spoke of the great spirit of the soldiers as long as they felt that all Canadians were behind them.

The Mandolin Club then favoured the company with some excellent selections. The popularity of this club is well deserved, as their music is of the highest class.

S. G. Elliot then gave the toast to "The Faculty," the instrument of teaching and torturing. Prof. Lloyd, the popular professor and humorist, replied. His speech was characteristic and much enjoyed, and included a short sketch of his career. He was many professors at once in Oregon; he was then at Columbia for ten years; the Carnegie Institute next claimed him. He was also in Mexico for a time, and then came back to Alabama. From this place he came to McGill, where he has been since. Prof. Lloyd paid great tribute to the members of the Medical Faculty at our college.

In place of the expected "comedy skit" which the First Year had prepared, Mr. O'Neill rendered a song. The substitution evidently pleased the crowd if the applause be any indication. The talented vocalist replied to the applause with an encore.

B. Benjamin, in proposing the toast to the "Sophomores," showed a humorous strain. He spoke of the great rush-week which ended in peaceful relations being restored between the Freshmen and Sophomores.

It seems, too, that the Sophos are badly mixed up with chemistry, especially with ionic solutions. P. Heinbecker, in his reply, thanked the First Year for their hospitality. He spoke of the traditional relations between First and Second Year classes. He also gave the Freshmen some good advice as to studies and preparation for the future.

Mr. Wiseman, who was jocularly asked to entertain the Freshmen, said that as a Sophomore he could not condescend to the level of an entertainer.

The toast of the evening, "To the Ladies," was proposed by E. H. Adams. His ideas were unique, as were his stories. Prof. Reilly, another of our humorist professors, replied fittingly. He said that to do women justice one must "dip a pen of gold into the moist colours of the rainbow, and dry the writing with the dust from a butterfly's wings. Some

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WHAT'S ON.

TO-DAY.

5:00 p.m.—Arts Undergrad. Social Committee.
5:00 p.m.—Union House Committee.
5:30 p.m.—Sir Herbert Ames at Union.
5:45 p.m.—Meeting of the Tennis Club in Strathcona Hall.
8:00 p.m.—Glee Club practice in the Union.
Basketball practice.

COMING.

Dec. 6.—Hockey practice at Arena, 7:40 p.m.
Dec. 7.—Arts Undergrad. Smoker.
Dec. 8.—R.V.C. Martial Society Tea in Common Room, 4 to 6 p.m.
Dec. 12.—Historical Club Meeting.
Dec. 12.—Second Inter-year Debate in R.V.C.
Dec. 18.—National vs. McGill, hockey at Arena, 10 to 11 p.m.

ARTS '18 MAN IN A.M.C. WRITES FROM BELGIUM

Enlisted With 9th Canadian Field Ambulance.

SAYS MEN ARE CARE-FREE.

Has Seen 20 Months' Service—
Meets McGill Men in France.

The following letter has been received from J. M. Elliott, Arts '18, who is with the C.A.M.C. Elliott enlisted in the 9th Field Ambulance at the end of his Freshman year.

Belgium, Nov. 19, 1917.
Dear —, I was very much delighted to get your letter, and I also appreciate your offer to send the McGill Daily. It will be a great treat to be able to get so close to college life again. I have now been out here in France and Belgium for almost 20 months, and are just about ready for a change from army life; in fact, I was ready for a change after the second month.

However, I suppose I should be satisfied with my lot, as I seem to have struck the happy medium of army life in the field. There are lots of other jobs, but many are worse.

We have taken part in a few heavy battles, and have lost quite a few of our old men — that is, the original men. The squad which I belong to has been pretty lucky, and there are still five of us left out of the six. The other member lost his right leg, having it amputated about the same place as Copeland had his left one. My brother, who transferred from the 5th Battalion to this unit, was wounded in the neck on Oct. 30, but it is a very slight wound, so he will likely be back about the middle of the month.

I often see Wallace Henery, Bill Antcliff, Waterman, Norman and Parks, and when we meet we generally have quite a discussion as to when we will get back to McGill. We have not been able to agree on the date so far, but if we don't see something that resembles peace not a long way off, after the offensive which is sure to take place next spring, we will decide to remain in France for the full three score and ten years.

I guess this letter looks like a Chinese puzzle, but I hope you will excuse me this time, as my accommodation is very poor for writing, also my literary side of life has deteriorated as low as possible.

This is a very hard country on the lungs, as it is so wet, and one cannot look after himself very well. You sometimes have to go for ten or twelve days with wet clothing on and almost freezing yourself. I have had very little trouble except for slight colds. But everyone is bothered the same way, and you just have to stick it the best way you can.

The summers are not so bad, and we have some real good times. This is a care-free life. One might come through it all right, and he might not. No one knows, and no one seems to care, so we throw all our troubles aside, and while on a rest we have as good a time as possible.

I have had a pass to England, also one to Paris. It sure does a fellow good to get back to civilization again for a few days. Do you know—it this war lasts much longer, those who return at the end will be regular barbarians. You sometimes read in a paper articles by our chaplains. They say that men out here have become more religious and have a stronger faith than they ever had before.

I cannot see where these men get such ideas, for everyone seems to be just the opposite. Not many men joined this army to reform; most of them figured on being free to do about as they wished. Many others who did not need much reforming need it now. You never see a man reading (Continued on Page 2)

SIR HERBERT AMES TO SPEAK TO STUDENTS

Speaks Under Auspices of Students' Council To-day.

WIN-THE-WAR CLUB.

Principal Peterson Will Preside—
Members of Staff and R.V.C.
Welcomed.

The Students' Council have been successful in their efforts to have Sir Herbert Ames speak to the student body on the aims and ideas of the Win-the-War Club, and the meeting will be held in the large hall of the Union to-day, Wednesday, at 5:30 p.m. The idea of the formation of a Win-the-War Club was first broached by Doc Ware at the Union Smoker. After being discussed by the Students' Council at their regular meeting last Friday, it was decided to have Sir Herbert Ames explain fully the responsibilities that would be accepted by the students if they formed a club. It must be fully understood that this meeting is not for the purpose of forming a club, and inviting those present to become members, BUT SIMPLY TO HEAR THE AIMS OF THE CLUB AND THE RESPONSIBILITIES THAT MEMBERSHIP WOULD ENTAIL.

In order that the student body may have a working knowledge of the idea, and also that intelligent questions may be addressed to the speaker, the Constitution and Bye-Laws of a Win-the-War Club are printed in this issue of the Daily.

A special invitation is given to the Undergraduates of the Royal Victoria College to be present, as it is felt that this is an opportunity for them to hear a man well versed in topics of the day.

Sir William Peterson has kindly consented to take the chair.

Owing to the short notice is has been found impossible to issue any special invitations, but it is hoped that the Deans and the members of the staff of instruction will favour the meeting with their presence.

"WIN-THE-WAR" CLUB.
Constitution and Declaration of
Faith.

WE BELIEVE:

1.—That in this world war, we are fighting for the defence of our property, our liberties and our lives, for the protection of Canada, for the maintenance of the British Empire, and for the preservation of civilization;

2.—That at the beginning of the war the Parliament of Canada, speaking for our entire people, unanimously declared it to be our determination to fight to the finish and to put our utmost efforts forth to win;

3.—THAT 350,000 men, the bravest and best among our fellow-citizens, have voluntarily gone overseas to redeem this pledge confidently expecting that those who remain at home would not fall in rendering them full support;

4.—THAT the voluntary system of securing recruits, by which hitherto magnificent results have been secured, can no longer be made effective to obtain much needed reinforcements;

5.—THAT it is, and ever has been, a fundamental privilege of organized society that each man who enjoys the privileges of self-government is in duty bound to take his share of responsibility in the nation's defence;

6.—THAT the only method whereby additional men can to-day be secured for overseas service, is by the exercise on the part of the state of its undoubted right to call to the colours such of its citizens as may be required;

7.—THAT the selective draft system, as set forth in the Military Service Act, recently passed by Parliament, carefully discriminates between those who are specially needed in Canada, and those who can still be spared from home duties, retaining the former classes here and selecting only the latter for service overseas;

8.—THAT this Act will be applied throughout the Dominion with fairness to all and favour to none;

9.—THAT the needs are urgent and that no other solution of the problem adequate to secure results, has been proposed by any responsible statesman;

10.—THAT the only alternative to the adoption of the system of securing reinforcements by selective draft is to abandon our brave men at the front and to allow those battalions, we so proudly sent forth, to dwindle and finally fade away;

11.—THAT it is unthinkable that Canada should abandon at the last those living and dead, who have sacrificed their all for her honor and the world's freedom;

12.—FURTHER, we believe that our Government should secure for the

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3.—Don't send flowers. They never match her dress.

4.—Buy less candy -- our allies need the sugar.

5.—Shine your own shoes--the exercise will do you good.

6.—Sit upstairs at the theatre -- you can see just as well.

7.—Smoke cheaper tobacco -- you're lucky to have any.

8.—Stay home one week-end -- and it may help that term paper.

9.—Don't pay \$12 for shoes. Cheap ones wear as well.

10.—Don't buy a new dress for every dance.

R. V. C. NOTES.**BASKETBALL.**

A game between R. V. C. and Macdonald, at Macdonald College, will be played this afternoon.

First Team.

Guards: R. Rogers and G. Gardner. Centres: G. Moody and R. Salmon. Homes: E. Hay and R. Contant.

All must wear regulation gym costume; also red hair band, and red and white distinguishing band, both of which will be given in the gym. McGill sweaters must also be worn. Spares are E. Abbott, K. Cameron, H. Nichol, M. Fares, H. MacIntosh and H. Davidson.

The second of the inter-year debates will take place in the R.V.C. on Wednesday, December 12, between the Sophomores and Freshies.

The question is: Resolved, that during the present war the Canadian Government should control the food resources of the country.

The affirmative will be discussed by the Freshies, and the negative by the Sophomores. E. Cox and M. Fares will represent the Freshies, while D. Mawdsley and L. Boston will speak for the Sophomores.

The first of the inter-year debates was won by the Juniors. The winners of the Sophomore-Freshie debate will debate with the Juniors for the championship.

The Partial Students' Society of the Royal Victoria College will give a Tea and Sale in aid of the University Settlement on Saturday, December 8, from 4 to 6 p.m., in the Common Room. Admission will be 25 cents per person, and will include afternoon tea.

"THE MEDICINE CHEST."

In the modern furnished home, which is usually inhabited by people of average intelligence, a medicine chest is one of the important improvements which the rent seeker considers. And why not?

Various medicines are necessary for every family sometime, for some families all the time, and under the circumstances, a medicine chest is absolutely necessary as a place of safety. All the medicines are arranged within this cabinet, each advocating its particular use for a particular organ. One is for the heart, a second for the nerves, a third for the fatigued limb, a fourth for poor digestion, a fifth for bruises, and last, but not least, for vigour.

And when one thinks of the various ingredients in these bottles, one must conclude that the presence of a medicine chest is absolutely necessary to insure safety.

But as mistakes are inevitable, we often hear of peroxide consumed in the body of a poor illiterate, causing hasty revolution of the organs, or a potion to be used externally is used internally.

With such a state of things before us, I always bethink myself of the contents of the universal medicine chest speaking for justice, truth, honour, peace and love of mankind.

Therefore, we find a conflict of unjust laws, shallow talks of peace, and honour, diluted with hypocrisy, all clamouring to cure the suffering universe. Upon close observation we find these medicines have been in existence as long as man, but without progress. And why? Because humanity has not followed directions?

On the contrary, because the worker allowed the upper-man to feed upon his labour, the law continues in its tyranny, ever excluding the people with illusions, and feeding itself on the luxurious reality of gain.

Like the poor illiterate who makes a mistake in his medicine, and upon comforting himself with "perhaps this pain must exist," so does poor humanity suffer through its ignorance of a better life. If it complains of pain, "out of the medicine chest" steps religion, closing the portals of the brain; if it rebels, the mighty walls of the dungeon close its suffering warriors, and extinguish the thread of life.

Should one's thoughts run individually in regard to convention, out steps "Ostracism" from the world's medicine chest, and claims her victim.

And all these cures have been advocated down through the ages, living in the knowledge of its uselessness.

But from the warring clouds comes a ray of sunshine called "education." It begins its difficult growth, and is promptly checked by the clouds.

Each day the ray shines brighter and the clouds grow thinner and yet the world suffers. But every now and then we find a ray of sunshine slowly cheering a dark part of the globe, and yet the world suffers! Why?

Because the most beautiful thing in the world, "Education," is kept out of the world's medicine chest! Think of the hideous crimes, the soulless and the degraded morality which suffers through the lack of education.

Think of the discovered geniuses, the beautiful soul and peaceful atmosphere under the rule of education, as the fumigation of a house kills the existing germs, so world education extinguishes the germ of illiteracy and tyranny.

But the warring clouds still hide that ray and the world's medicine chest still bars education's entrance though we clamour and shout, "Shine forth, thou liberator of man-kind."

LOST.

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The acquaintance of any foreign language annihilates a considerable

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.**ARTS UNDERGRAD
SOCIAL COMMITTEE.**

The Social Committee of the Arts Undergraduate Society will meet at 5 p.m., to-day, in the Arts Building.

**THE FRESHMAN'S
HORNBOOK.****CHAPTER III.**

Now, if hath appeared to me (late), by divers happenings in our midst, that the class of 1921, (or thereabouts), commonly called Freshmen, hath profited so greatly by sundry exhortations and weighty counsels, which we addressed to them at the beginning of this present session on the subject of how they were to comport themselves in the Library and kindred matters, that we were emboldened and encouraged thereby to add some further words of wisdom, meet for their ears, and whereby we hope they may receive much edification.

Let our Freshman bear in mind at all times, that it behoves him to wear upon his upper lip some appendage, some adornment; in fine, to grow thereon some hair. Let our Freshie not be faint-hearted and let him not be cast-down if the hair do have a mangy look, but rather let him be much encouraged thereby, for this is but the first budding-out of the glorious foliage, which is to come. If divers Seniors do cast their baleful eyes on his hirsute adornment, our Freshie must not be dismayed; for as much as the learned ones do really envy his beauty, and covet his filamentous structures. But here our Freshie must take solemn warning that if he perceive these selfsame Seniors approaching in sinister fashion, he must obey the old Proverb, and make off with all haste, so that his glorious beauty may suffer no hurt at their hands. Let him be wary, more especially during the critical time, when the growth is showing its first beginnings, for then the fierce envy of the Seniors waxes hottest. It would be fittest, we think, if, at this crisis, our Freshie were to keep, as much as is possible, to his own private quarters and not to provoke the Seniors by any indecent flaunting of himself in their faces, whereby they might take umbrage, and do that which would bring to naught all our Freshies well-laid plans for the future of his upper lip.

**ANNUAL MEETING TEN.
NIS CLUB.**

The annual general meeting of the McGill Tennis Club for the election of officers for the ensuing year, will be held in Strathcona Hall at 5.45 p.m. this afternoon.

All members are requested to make a point of attending the meeting.

RUSSIAN COSMOPOLITANISM.

"The cosmopolitanism of the Russian character is a striking feature. Indeed, the educated Russian is perhaps the most complete cosmopolitan in the world. This is partly owing," says Prof. William Lyon Phelps, in "Essays on Russian Novelists," "to the uncanny facility with which he acquires foreign languages, and to the admirable custom in Russia of giving children in more or less wealthy families, French, German and English governesses. John Stuart Mill studied 'Greek' at the age of three, which is the proper time to begin the study of any language that one intends to master. Russian children think and dream in foreign words, but it is seldom that a Russian shows any pride in his linguistic accomplishments, or that he takes it otherwise than as a matter of course."

"Nothing excites the envy of an American travelling in Europe more sharply than to hear Russian men and women speaking European languages fluently and idiomatically. When we learn to speak a foreign tongue, we are always acutely conscious of the transition from English to German, or from German to French, and our hearers are still more so. We speak as though it hurt, just as the average tenor sings. I remember at a polyglot Parisian table, a Russian girl who spoke seven languages with perfect ease; and she was not in the least a blue-stocking."

"Now every one knows that one of the indirect advantages that result from the acquisition of a strange tongue is the immediate gain in the extent of view. . . . It is something to be able to read French, but if one has learned to speak French, the reading of a French book becomes infinitely more vivid. With a French play in the hand, one can see clearly the expressions on the faces of the personages, as one follows the printed dialogue with the eye. Here is where a Russian understands the American or the French point of view, much better than an American or a Frenchman understands the Russian's. Indeed, the man from Paris is nothing like so cosmopolitan as the man from Petersburg. One reason is, that he is too well satisfied with Paris. M. Brunetiere told me that he could neither read nor speak English, and, what is still more remarkable, he said that he had never been in England! That a critic of his power and reputation, interested as he was in English literature, should never have had suffered intellectual curiosity to cross the English Channel, struck me as nothing short of amazing."

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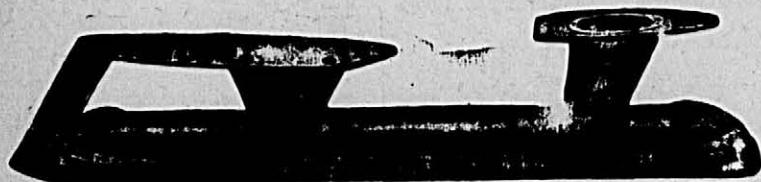
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THE SOUTH-WEST PROTECTORATE.
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title issued by the Executive and Raad. The Germans managed, however, to secure the transfer of some of these farms to themselves in payment of debt incurred by Bastards, and the latter also complain that quite a slice of their territory on the west was sliced from them, and that a German magistrate took up his residence at Rehoboth and began to interfere with the freedom of the burghers to determine who should be their "Kaptein," etc. It seems probable, the German Government having well-nigh exterminated the Hereros as a nation, that the Bastards would next have claimed the attention of the Germanic "kultur."

Matters were in this condition when the present world war broke out in 1914, and the Rehoboth Bastards decided right away not to assist the Germans in any way against the British or Union forces. Upon their refusal to even act as guards over British or Union prisoners of war, the Germans declared the treaty broken, and attacked them, driving them out of Rehoboth town, killing men, women and children, burning their wagons, capturing their stock, shooting such stock as they could not take away, and finally beleaguered them in their last mountain stronghold. Here the Bastards, despite a brave defence, were, owing to lack of ammunition, just about at the end of their tether, when the rapid march of Colonel Mackenzie on Gibeon caused the Germans to suddenly retire.

The Bastards of Rehoboth feel certain, should the South-West Protectorate be given back to the Germans at the close of the war, that their lives and property will be ruthlessly sacrificed on the altar of the German War God. Therefore, in January, 1916, they drew up a petition to His Majesty, praying that they and their land might be placed under the administration of the Imperial Government, and, although through some mistake of theirs the petition never reached His Majesty, the petitioners are of the same mind to-day.

On the whole, the present Administration appears to be actuated by a sincere desire to treat these people fairly, and justly, and this is not denied by them. Several grievances under which they laboured since the Union occupation and the existence of martial law have been brought to its notice, and some of these have been removed, while others are still awaiting redress. It gives me pleasure to express my conviction, both as regards the high character of the personnel of the Administration and the general policy pursued by the Administrator and officials under him in connection with native affairs, that there is an immense advance on the German regime, and, considering that the Administration is, after all, only a provisional one for the time being, there is but little cause for complaint. The condition of the native locations, native hospitals, prisons, etc., reflects the utmost credit on the present administration and the officials in charge of the institutions, and compares favourably with the condition of things in some places in the Union. In justice to the German regime, it must be granted that as far as buildings and outward necessities go, it did its duty in these matters, even if the spirit of a common humanity was lacking.

To sum up the matter, I would say that, in addition to the cogent reasons advanced in the "Cape Times" article of the 6th inst., why the South-West Protectorate should not be given back to Germany after the war, the following points seem clear to me:

First, that common humanity demands that the existing remnants of native and Hottentot tribes and the Bastards of Rehoboth shall not be handed back into the power of the Hun.

Second: (a) That the right of the Bastards to the territory now owned or occupied by them should be recognized and acknowledged, as also their right to continue, as far as may be possible, to locally rule themselves; (b) that a reasonable amount of the land which is or will be at the disposal of the Government should be set apart and reserved for the occupation of the existing Natives and Hottentots and their descendants.

Third, that there are several reasons why the Administration of the South-West Protectorate should, for some considerable time, be carried on under the direct control of the Imperial Government rather than under that of the Union of South Africa, in which case the Imperial Government should repay to the Union all moneys expended in connection with the conquest and administration of the country.

Lastly, that whether the country be placed under the Imperial Government or the Government of the Union, the Administration should for many years to come be of the Protectorate or Crown Colony character, and there should be no attempt to establish political institutions or machinery, or to link the people of the Protectorate on to the political system of the Union of South Africa. "Testa lente," or "make haste slowly" should be the principle followed in the settlement and development of the country.

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number of prejudices. Henry James, who knew Turgenev intimately, and who has written a brilliant and charming essay on his personality, said that the mind of Turgenev contained not one pin-point of prejudice. It is worth while to pause an in-

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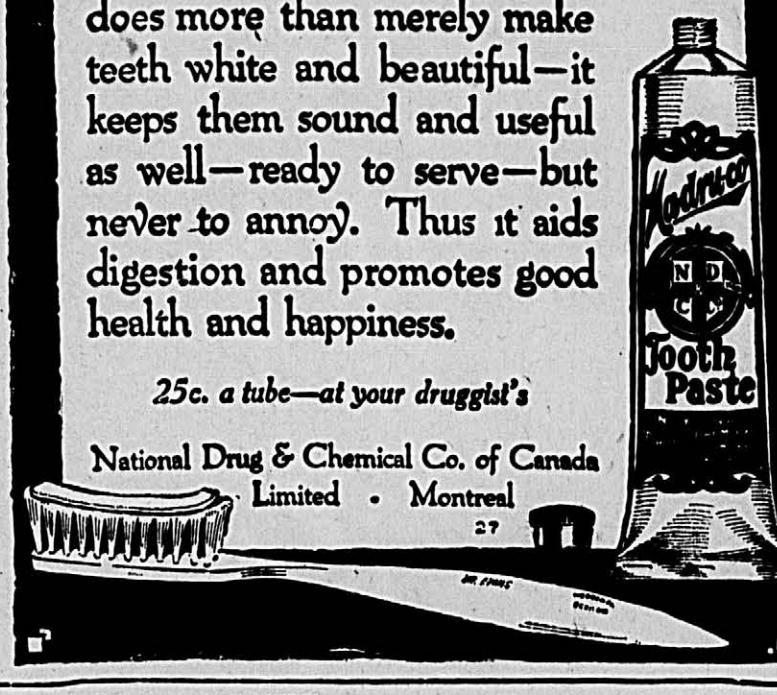
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